## COUNCIL DECISION 2012/634/CFSP

#### of 15 October 2012

## amending Decision 2011/782/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Syria

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 29 thereof,

#### Whereas:

- (1) On 1 December 2011, the Council adopted Decision 2011/782/CFSP (1).
- (2) In view of the gravity of the situation in Syria, additional restrictive measures should be imposed.
- (3) The purchase, import or transport of arms from Syria, as well as the provision of related financing or financial assistance, should be prohibited.
- (4) In addition, flights operated by Syrian Arab Airlines should not be allowed access to the airports of Member States, without prejudice to the obligations of Member States under international law, in particular relevant international civil aviation agreements.
- (5) It should be specified that the prohibition against making funds or economic resources available to Syrian Arab Airlines does not apply to acts or transactions carried out for the sole purpose of evacuating citizens of the Union and their family members from Syria.
- (6) Moreover, additional persons and entities should be included in the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures as set out in Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP. In particular, all Syrian Government Ministers should be designated in view of their collective responsibility for the violent repression against the civilian population in Syria.
- (7) The restrictive measures should be maintained against former ministers of the Syrian Government since they may still be considered to be associated with the regime and its violent repression against the civilian population. The entries for those persons should therefore be amended.
- (8) Furthermore, two persons and one entity should be removed from the list of persons and entities subject to the restrictive measures.
- (9) Further action by the Union is needed in order to implement certain measures in this Decision.
- (10) Decision 2011/782/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

(1) OJ L 319, 2.12.2011, p. 56.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

### Article 1

Decision 2011/782/CFSP is hereby amended as follows:

(1) the following Article is inserted:

#### 'Article 2a

- 1. The purchase, import or transport of arms and related material of all types, including weapons and ammunition, military vehicles and equipment, paramilitary equipment and spare parts for the aforementioned, from Syria or originating in Syria, shall be prohibited.
- 2. It shall be prohibited to provide, directly or indirectly, financing or financial assistance, including financial derivatives, as well as insurance and reinsurance, and brokering services related to insurance and reinsurance, for any purchase, import or transport of the items referred to in paragraph 1, from Syria or originating in Syria.';
- (2) Article 17a is replaced by the following:

### 'Article 17a

- 1. Member States, in accordance with their national legislation and consistent with international law, in particular relevant international civil aviation agreements, shall take the necessary measures to prevent access to the airports under their jurisdiction of all exclusively cargo flights operated by Syrian carriers and all flights operated by Syrian Arab Airlines.
- 2. Paragraph 1 shall not apply to the access to airports under the jurisdiction of Member States of flights operated by Syrian Arab Airlines, necessary for the sole purpose of evacuating citizens of the Union and their family members from Syria.';
- (3) in Article 19, the following paragraph is inserted:
  - '11. Paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not apply to acts or transactions carried out, with regard to Syrian Arab Airlines, for the sole purpose of evacuating citizens of the Union and their family members from Syria.'.

## Article 2

Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP shall be amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.

# Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Done at Luxembourg, 15 October 2012.

For the Council The President C. ASHTON

# ANNEX

I. The persons and entities listed below shall be added to the list of persons and entities set out in Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP.

# A. Persons

|    | Name                                     | Identifying information | Reasons  | Date of listing |
|----|--|-------------------------|--|-----------------|
| 1. | Dr. Qadri Jameel                         |                         | Vice Prime Minister for Economic Affairs, Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer's Protection. As Government Minister, shares responsibility for the regime's violent repression against the civilian population. | 16.10.2012      |
| 2. | Waleed Al<br>Mo'allem                    |                         | Vice Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates. As Government Minister, shares responsibility for the regime's violent repression against the civilian population.                               | 16.10.2012      |
| 3. | Major general Fahd<br>Jassem Al Freij    |                         | Minister of Defence and military commander. As Government Minister, shares responsibility for the regime's violent repression against the civilian population.   | 16.10.2012      |
| 4. | Dr. Mohammad<br>Abdul Sattar Al<br>Sayed |                         | Minister of Religious Endowments.<br>As Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.   | 16.10.2012      |
| 5. | Eng. Hala<br>Mohammad Al<br>Nasser       |                         | Minister of Tourism. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.  | 16.10.2012      |
| 6. | Eng. Bassam Hanna                        |                         | Minister of Water Resources. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.  | 16.10.2012      |
| 7. | Eng. Subhi Ahmad<br>Al Abdallah          |                         | Minister of Agriculture and<br>Agrarian Reform. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population.  | 16.10.2012      |
| 8. | Dr. Mohammad<br>Yahiya Moʻalla           |                         | Minister of Higher Education. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.   | 16.10.2012      |

|     | Name                              | Identifying information | Reasons   | Date of listing |
|-----|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 9.  | Dr. Hazwan Al<br>Wez              |                         | Minister of Education. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                     | 16.10.2012      |
| 10. | Dr. Mohamad<br>Zafer Mohabak      |                         | Minister of Economy and Foreign<br>Trade. As Government Minister,<br>shares responsibility for the<br>regime's violent repression against<br>the civilian population.     | 16.10.2012      |
| 11. | Dr. Mahmud<br>Ibraheem Sa'iid     |                         | Minister of Transport. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                     | 16.10.2012      |
| 12. | Dr. Safwan Al<br>Assaf            |                         | Minister of Housing and Urban<br>Development. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population. | 16.10.2012      |
| 13. | Eng. Yasser Al<br>Siba'ii         |                         | Minister of Public Works. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                  | 16.10.2012      |
| 14. | Eng Sa'iid Ma'thi<br>Hneidi       |                         | Minister of Oil and Mineral<br>Resources. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population.     | 16.10.2012      |
| 15. | Dr. Lubana<br>Mushaweh            |                         | Minister of Culture. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                       | 16.10.2012      |
| 16. | Dr. Jassem<br>Mohammad<br>Zakaria |                         | Minister of Labour and Social<br>Affairs. As Government Minister,<br>shares responsibility for the<br>regime's violent repression against<br>the civilian population.     | 16.10.2012      |
| 17. | Omran Ahed Al<br>Zu'bi            |                         | Minister of Information. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                   | 16.10.2012      |
| 18. | Dr. Adnan Abdo<br>Al Sikhny       |                         | Minister of Industry. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                      | 16.10.2012      |

|     | Name   | Identifying information                  | Reasons  | Date of listing |
|-----|--|--|--|-----------------|
| 19. | Najm Hamad Al<br>Ahmad   |  | Minister of Justice. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.  | 16.10.2012      |
| 20. | Dr. Abdul Salam<br>Al Nayef  |  | Minister of Health. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.   | 16.10.2012      |
| 21. | Dr. Ali Heidar   |  | State Minister for National<br>Reconciliation Affairs. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                      | 16.10.2012      |
| 22. | Dr. Nazeera Farah<br>Sarkees   |  | State Minister for Environmental<br>Affairs. As Government Minister,<br>shares responsibility for the<br>regime's violent repression against<br>the civilian population.                                   | 16.10.2012      |
| 23. | Mohammad Turki<br>Al Sayed   |  | State Minister. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population.  | 16.10.2012      |
| 24. | Najm-eddin Khreit  |  | State Minister. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population.  | 16.10.2012      |
| 25. | Abdullah Khaleel<br>Hussein  |  | State Minister. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population.  | 16.10.2012      |
| 26. | Jamal Sha'ban<br>Shaheen   |  | State Minister. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population.  | 16.10.2012      |
| 27. | Suleiman Maarouf<br>(a.k.a. Sulayman<br>Mahmud Ma'ruf,<br>Sleiman Maarouf,<br>Mahmoud<br>Soleiman Maarouf) | Passport: in possession of a UK passport | Businessman close to President Al-<br>Assad's family. Owns shares in the<br>listed TV station Dounya TV.<br>Close to Muhammad Nasif<br>Khayrbik, who has been desig-<br>nated. Supports the Syrian regime. | 16.10.2012      |

|     | Name        | Identifying information | Reasons   | Date of listing |
|-----|-------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 28. | Raza Othman | Wife of Rami Makhlouf   | She has close personal and financial relations with Rami Makhlouf, cousin of president Bashar Al-Assad and principal financer of the regime, who has been designated. As such, associated with the Syrian regime, and benefiting from it. | 16.10.2012      |

# B. Entities

|    | Name            | Identifying information   | Reasons   | Date of listing |
|----|-----------------|---|---|-----------------|
| 1. | Megatrade       | Address:<br>Aleppo Street<br>P.O. Box 5966<br>Damascus, Syria<br>Fax: 963114471081      | Acts as a proxy for the Scientific Military research Institute (SSRC), which is listed. Involved in trade in dual use goods prohibited by EU sanctions for the Syrian government. | 16.10.2012      |
| 2. | Expert Partners | Address:<br>Rukn Addin<br>Saladin Street, Building 5<br>PO Box: 7006<br>Damascus, Syria | Acts as a proxy for the Scientific Military research Institute (SSRC), which is listed. Involved in trade in dual use goods prohibited by EU sanctions for the Syrian government. | 16.10.2012      |

II. The entries for the persons and entities set out in Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP listed below shall be replaced by the entries below:

|    | Name  | Identifying information             | Reasons   | Date of listing |
|----|---|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 1. | Dr Wael Nader<br>Al –Halqi  | Born 1964 in the Daraa<br>Province  | Prime Minister and former<br>Minister of Health. As Prime<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population. | 27.2.2012       |
| 2. | Muhammad<br>Ibrahim Al-Sha'ar<br>(a.k.a. Mohammad<br>Ibrahim Al-Chaar)    | Born 1956 in Aleppo                 | Minister of the Interior. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                | 1.12.2011       |
| 3. | Dr Mohammad<br>Al-Jleilati  | Born 1945 in Damascus               | Minister of Finance. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                     | 1.12.2011       |
| 4. | Imad Mohammad<br>Deeb Khamis<br>(a.k.a.: Imad<br>Mohammad Dib<br>Khamees) | Born 1 August 1961 near<br>Damascus | Minister of Electricity. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.                 | 23.3.2012       |

|     | Name   | Identifying information                | Reasons   | Date of listing |
|-----|--|--|---|-----------------|
| 5.  | Omar Ibrahim<br>Ghalawanji   | Born 1954 in Tartus                    | Vice Prime Minister for Services<br>Affairs, Minister of Local Admin-<br>istration. As Government Minister,<br>shares responsibility for the<br>regime's violent repression against<br>the civilian population. | 23.3.2012       |
| 6.  | Joseph Suwaid<br>(a.k.a. Joseph Jergi<br>Sweid)                            | Born 1958 in Damascus                  | Minister of State. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population.  | 23.3.2012       |
| 7.  | Eng Hussein<br>Mahmoud Farzat<br>(a.k.a.: Hussein<br>Mahmud Farzat)        | Born 1957 in Hama                      | Minister of State. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population.  | 23.3.2012       |
| 8.  | Mansour Fadlallah<br>Azzam<br>(a.k.a.: Mansur Fadl<br>Allah Azzam)         | Born 1960 in the Sweida<br>Province    | Minister for Presidency Affairs. As<br>Government Minister, shares<br>responsibility for the regime's<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.   | 27.2.2012       |
| 9.  | Dr Emad Abdul-<br>Ghani Sabouni<br>(a.k.a.: Imad Abdul<br>Ghani Al Sabuni) | Born 1964 in Damascus                  | Minister of Telecommunications<br>and Technology. As Government<br>Minister, shares responsibility for<br>the regime's violent repression<br>against the civilian population.                                   | 27.2.2012       |
| 10. | General Ali Habib<br>Mahmoud   | Born 1939 in Tartous                   | Former Minister of Defence.<br>Associated with the Syrian regime<br>and the Syrian military, and its<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.  | 1.8.2011        |
| 11. | Tayseer Qala<br>Awwad  | Born 1943 in Damascus                  | Former Minister of Justice. Associated with the Syrian regime and its violent repression against the civilian population.   | 23.9.2011       |
| 12. | Dr Adnan Hassan<br>Mahmoud   | Born 1966 in Tartous                   | Former Minister of Information. Associated with the Syrian regime and its violent repression against the civilian population.   | 23.9.2011       |
| 13. | Dr Mohammad<br>Nidal Al-Shaar  | Born 1956 in Aleppo                    | Former Minister of Economy and Trade. Associated with the Syrian regime and its violent repression against the civilian population.   | 1.12.2011       |
| 14. | Sufian Allaw   | Born 1944 in al-Bukamal, Deir<br>Ezzor | Former Minister of Oil and Mineral Resources. Associated with the regime and its violent repression against the civilian population.  | 27.2.2012       |

|     | Name                        | Identifying information      | Reasons   | Date of listing |
|-----|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 15. | Dr Adnan Slakho             | Born 1955 in Damascus        | Former Minister of Industry.<br>Associated with the regime and its<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.  | 27.2.2012       |
| 16. | Dr Saleh Al-Rashed          | Born 1964 in Aleppo Province | Former Minister of Education.<br>Associated with the regime and its<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population. | 27.2.2012       |
| 17. | Dr Fayssal Abbas            | Born 1955 in Hama Province   | Former Minister of Transport.<br>Associated with the regime and its<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population. | 27.2.2012       |
| 18. | Ghiath Jeraatli             | Born 1950 in Salamiya        | Former Minister of State.<br>Associated with the regime and its<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.     | 23.3.2012       |
| 19. | Yousef Suleiman<br>Al-Ahmad | Born 1956 in Hasaka          | Former Minister of State. Associated with the regime and its violent repression against the civilian population.              | 23.3.2012       |
| 20. | Hassan al-Sari              | Born 1953 in Hama            | Former Minister of State.<br>Associated with the regime and its<br>violent repression against the<br>civilian population.     | 23.3.2012       |

III. The persons and entity listed below shall be removed from the list of persons and entities set out in Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP.

- 1. Salim Altoun
- 2. Youssef Klizli
- 3. Altoun Group